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TAGS: PFOR, CG, MOPS

SUBJECT: ZAIRE INVASION: GOZ DENIAL ON RECRUITMENT OF MERCENARIES

REF: CUTLER-BUCHANAN TELCON APRIL 21

PER TELCON, WHEN I SAW NGUZA APRIL 18, HE MENTIONED THAT GOZ
HAD DENIED IT HAD ANY INTENTION OF USING MERCENARIES AND THAT
DENIAL HAD BEEN CARRIED BY INTERNATIONAL MEDIA, INCLUDING VOA.
WE WERE UNAWARE OF PUBLIC DENIAL AND ONLY MANAGED TO FIND IT
LATER, IN APRIL 9-10 ISSUE OF INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE.
ARTICLE, WHICH BASED ON UPI DISPATCH, STATES IN PART: "ZAIRE
FLATLY DENIED (APRIL 8) IT IS SEEKING TO RECRUIT US OR BRITISH
MERCENARIES..." ACCORDING TO AZAP ZAIRE HAD "DIRECTED ITS
AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON TO FORMALLY PROTEST CLAIMS BY DAVID
BUFKIN THAT HE WAS RECRUITING OTHER AMERICANS TO JOIN BRITISH
MERCENARIES TO FIGHT IN THE INVASION OF ZAIRE. BUFKIN'S STATE-
MENT APPEARED IN AN ARTICLE BY THE LOS ANGELES TIMES." ARTICLE
FURTHER STATES THAT ZAIRIAN OFFICIAL TOLD AZAP THAT ZAIRE "CANNOT
ALLOW ITSELF TO RESORT TO THE SERVICES OF OTHER MERCENARIES
AT A MOMENT WHEN IT IS BENEFITING FROM THE WHOLEHEARTED SUPPORT
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CUTLER

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Message Attributes

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